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**Newhall Father Charged With Murder,
Sexual Assault of Newborn Daughter**

A Newhall man was charged today with sexually abusing and killing his 19-day-old daughter, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Julie Kramer said Matthew Brendan Warner (dob 11/12/84) faces one count each of murder, assault on a child causing death, torture, oral copulation or sexual penetration with a child 10 years or younger and aggravated sexual assault of a child.

Arraignment for case PA082876 was scheduled for today but continued to Feb. 18 in Department S of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, San Fernando Branch.

According to the felony complaint, the murder and sexual assault happened on Jan. 23.

Bail was set at \$2.25 million. Warner faces a maximum penalty of life in state prison if convicted of all charges.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Santa Clarita Station.

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About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety.